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**From:** Tanaka, Joan [Tanaka.Joan@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 6/17/2019 5:31:15 PM  
**To:** Newton, Cheryl [Newton.Cheryl@epa.gov]; Poy, Thomas [poy.thomas@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: ABC 7 request - University Park lead exceedance

15 ppb lead is an action level per the Lead Copper Rule. There is no lead MCL.

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**From:** Newton, Cheryl  
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**To:** Tanaka, Joan <Tanaka.Joan@epa.gov>; Poy, Thomas <poy.thomas@epa.gov>  
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Thanks! Aqua is the local utility in this area? Also -- forgive my forgetfulness -- what is the DW lead standard? Thanks

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Info from our Drinking Water folks below.

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GWDWB learned this morning about the Do Not Drink order in Will County due to elevated levels of lead. I've been corresponding with Illinois EPA, which is working with Aqua Illinois on this. Aqua Illinois got lead

sampling results back showing elevated levels of lead at 15 homes in University Park. Six samples had lead concentrations > 100 ppb with one at 670 ppb. Aqua Illinois issued a Do Not Drink order on Friday to University Park, Green Garden and Monee and provided bottled water to customers. Aqua Illinois took investigative samples over the weekend including at the sites with high levels. Aqua Illinois switched to a blended phosphate with a higher amount of orthophosphate on Saturday evening, flushing the distribution system to get the higher dose of orthophosphate out into the system. On Sunday, Aqua Illinois started taking some of parts of community off of the Do Not Drink order where the homes were constructed after 1990 and would not have lead service lines or leaded solder and have investigative sample results below the action level.

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**Importance:** High

If possible can I get a short writeup on this by 12:30 pm today?

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Kevin,  
Please see below and identify who is best to respond.  
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ABC 7 has asked if we've been notified about the 15 properties with lead in drinking water exceedances in University Park. WD, how do you suggest responding?

Allison Lippert

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